



IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

Claims 1-2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) A prosaposin receptor agonist having ~~from about 14 to 50 amino acids~~ consisting of the sequence shown in ~~SEQ ID NO:1 or~~ SEQ ID NO:2.

4. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition for ~~treating~~ alleviating neuropathic pain, comprising:
a prosaposin receptor agonist consisting of the sequence shown in ~~SEQ ID No: 1 or~~ SEQ ID NO: 2 in an effective amount ~~that is greater than 20 µg/kg and less than 100 µg/kg of body weight;~~ and
a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

5. (Original) The composition of claim 4 in a controlled release formulation.

6. (Original) The composition of claim 4 in a liposomal form.

7. (Original) The composition of claim 4 in a lyophilized form.

8. (Original) The composition of claim 4 in a unit dosage form.

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Claims 9-31. (Canceled)

--32. (New) The composition of claim 4, wherein the
neuropathic pain results from diabetes.--